

TUCUMCARI'S CITY GOVERNMENT

ASSEMBLY DECLARES INCORPORATION VALID

Officers Chosen at Last Election to Maintain Their Positions
Until April Nineteen Hundred and Eleven

VACANCIES TO BE FILLED BY COUNCIL.

The Act Will Go Into Full Force From and After
Its Passage and Approval by Legislature

Council Bill No. 4

Be it enacted by the legislative Assembly of the Territory of New Mexico:

SECTION 1. That all cities and incorporated towns of the territory of New Mexico which have heretofore attempted to be incorporated under the provisions of title XXVIII Compiled laws of 1897, and all acts amendatory thereto, but which in said attempted incorporation failed to comply with all the requirements of said title XXVIII and acts amendatory thereto, but which said cities and incorporated towns have from and after the date of their several attempted incorporations, as aforesaid, exercised the functions of cities and incorporated towns and have been recognized as such cities and incorporated towns, and their incorporations be and are hereby declared to be as legal and valid as if the original acts of incorporation had been in strict compliance with the requirements of the law, and provided further, that this act shall apply to all municipal corporations of this territory which have changed the form of their government under the provisions of Chapter III, laws of 1901.

SECTION 2. All acts, and parts of acts, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its passage.

Council Bill No. 5

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Mexico:

SECTION 1. In all cities in the Territory of New Mexico, that have been incorporated as cities or have changed the character of their municipal government under the provisions of Chapter III, Laws of 1901, since the last regular election for city officers, and that have elected officers as provided by law, at a special election held for such purpose, the said officers so elected at such special election shall serve until the regular election for city officers to be held in April, 1911.

SECTION 2. In no city, contemplated by Section 1 of this act, shall any city officers be elected until the regular election of city officers to be held in April, 1911, as now provided by law, and should any vacancy occur in any office of such city, such vacancy shall be filled by the city council of said city.

SECTION 3. This act shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Flouring Mill Project

The two flouring mill projects which were mentioned in the last issue of the News are gaining ground daily. M. B. Goldenberg has had considerable correspondence with the Alton Milling Co., and the probabilities are that they will have an elevator in this city by the time Kansas is ready to ship the wheat.

W. E. Wright, who is working for the interest of an Oklahoma company, says that while he is unable to get the two thousand dollars bonus which his company asks, that he feels confident the company will place a mill here regardless of his failure to secure that amount.

The grain will be furnished the first year by the Kansas farmers, but after the mills are running there is no doubt but that Quay county will raise its share of the wheat.

Both companies are planning on a seventy-five barrel capacity a day.

Capt. J. P. C. Langston received a wire Thursday morning informing him of the death of his brother at Guyton, Okla. He left on Friday morning's train to attend the funeral which was postponed waiting his arrival.

Chas. Kohn, mayor Montoya, was a visitor here last Thursday.

NEWS IN RAILROAD CIRCLES HUMMING

A Great Opening for the Settler Along Proposed Route

News in railroad circles is good despite the fact that the people of this city are still in doubt as to who has the contract for building of the Tucumcari and Memphis railroad. All bids for the grading and bridge work over the road were submitted in Chicago last Saturday, but who submitted the winning one is not known. It is certain, however, that not much time will be lost in the discussion of bids and that the construction work will begin along the route by the middle of this month.

Many sub-contractors have arrived in the city during the past two weeks and some of them, it is said, have already been promised contracts from the various leading contractors who contemplated landing the work. All things indicate that in the near future the route will take on the appearance of the traditional beaver dams.

It is very probable that the farmers along the line of work will be able to get the most of the sub-contracting, provided they bid early, and a certain fact is that those living near the surveyed route will be able to get steady work both for themselves and their teams, so long as the construction work is in progress.

The engineers who are retracing the line are now camped near San Jon and if they continue the rapidity with which they are proceeding, it is believed that the line will be completed by next Thursday. They are establishing the right-of-way and fixing all property bounds with the greatest satisfaction to all, it is said.

Council Urges Statehood

The Council at its session January 29, adopted another stirring memorial, addressed to President Roosevelt and Congress, demanding immediate admission of the territory to statehood. It was accompanied by a resolution providing for the printing and transmission of the memorial to Congress at the earliest possible date.

It is believed that this memorial will have immediate effect. The memorial is quite lengthy and cites facts and figures to show the territory's fitness for self government. The increase in population, activity in all commercial lines, growing industries, excellent financial condition of the territory, improved school system are urged as showing that the citizens of New Mexico are capable of self government. It makes a review of the progress of this territory during the past few years and urges that Congress at once fulfill pledges made in the platforms of both great political parties.

It further condemns in bitter terms the over running of New Mexico by special agents and the recent system of federal espionage.

Dr. Thomson has purchased the corner house and lot on Adams and High streets. He will begin the erection of a new and up to date five room residence in the near future.

Street Improvements

Among the most marked improvements of the week that have been made about the city, is the amount of concrete side walk that has been laid. Main street is now lined on both sides for many blocks with wide walks. It was not two years ago that the city would not have been warranted in putting down plank or any other kind of walks, where now only cement is good enough. Concrete walks are also being placed on Second street between the depot and Main street, and this will go further in making good impressions on those who come to this city, and cast their eyes around during the first few minutes, than any other one thing.



MAYOR J. A. STREET



ALDERMAN W. F. BUCHANAN



ALDERMAN GEO. W. EVANS, JR.



ALDERMAN A. B. DAUBER



CITY CLERK J. R. DAUGHTRY



ALDERMAN S. H. NEAFUS



CHIEF OF POLICE HARRY BENSON

BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE OPPOSE COUNTY DIVISION

Legislature Leaders Ask That Quay County Give Up Two
Tiers of Townships for the New County

WANT TO FORM COUNTY OF CURRY

Citizens of the Concerned Sections Are Divided. Grady
Will Lead Opposition

LADIES WILL HAVE BAZAAR ON FRIDAY

Will Sell Everything and Give
Free Entertainments

All those fellows who are keeping their loose change to themselves will surely have to go down in their jeans and dig it up next Friday or else hide out. The ladies of the Home Mission Society of the Methodist Church, South, are going to have a Bazaar that day and they are going to hold all the chicken feed they can get their hands on. In fact a News reporter heard them planning in secret the other day, and the way they are going to hold up the fellows around town "is just scandalous." If it wasn't the ladies the men folks would never stand for it one minute.

Oh, they have the boys all right, if they don't go down to the booths that day the girls will call them "tight wads" and "never speak to them again." It's just up to them, and the ladies are on.

But then it will not be so bad after all, cause they are going to give the goods for the money. They are going to sell everything that day, yes, just everything from rag dolls up. They are going to have bargain counters, sales, and all kinds of booths. Chinese booths, Japanese booths, candy booths, the Ladies Home Journal booth and so many more that we can't remember them all just now, and then besides the ladies don't want people to know what all they are going to have yet, they want to surprise everybody.

And then they are planning on a free entertainment in the evening when there will be all kinds of music and readings and everything that pleases the ear of art. Nothing is going to be left undone. The ladies are working hard to do their part of it up in the brown and now it is the duty of the men to raise all the dinero they can find or borrow and go down to the Hancock building next Friday. The ladies say that they will take no excuses so don't forget.

Samuel Spinks Dies

Samuel Spinks, the seven year old son of E. A. Spinks, an employee of the Bell Ranch, died at his home on the ranch last Monday. The boy had only been sick for a few days and his death came as a shock to his parents and playmates. The body was brought to this city and prepared for burial by M. H. Koch. Interment took place at the local cemetery.

Mrs. L. E. Taylor has just returned from Kansas City and St. Louis where she bought a complete stock of goods for the L. E. Taylor Novelty Store. To the stock already carried many new features are being added. Among them cigars and tobacco; handpainted china, cut glass, etc. The store will move into the east room of the Caruthers building on Wednesday, the 10th inst, where everything in the novelty line will be displayed for the benefit of purchasers who desire to see them.

District Court

District court will convene in this city in April. In all probability the grand jury will not be summoned, that fact will be governed by the run of events between now and then, however. The criminal docket has already been so well disposed of that, from all present appearances, the entire term can be devoted to strictly civil cases. This is the first time in the history of Quay county that this has been the case and an opportunity is now afforded the court to clean up the greater part of the heavy civil docket which is awaiting the date of convening.

Juan Gomez, of Logan, underwent an operation for the throat at Tucumcari Hospital, early in the week.

In response to a call, the business men's league of this city met in the court house last Wednesday afternoon and discussed the project of the creation of a new county. The discussion was brought about by a bill which is now pending in the territorial legislature, providing that a new county, to bear the name of Curry, be formed out of the two southern tiers of townships of this county and a portion of Roosevelt county.

So far, no steps have been taken by the legislature to pass the bill and it is understood that the leaders will not allow it to pass unless the people of Quay county are willing. At the same time, however, they ask the people to agree to a division in consideration of numerous other things.

The question was thoroughly discussed, with quite a display of debate, and at length a motion was passed, with some opposition, to the effect that the business men's league of this city does not favor any division of the county.

A committee of five was appointed to write to the governor and legislative lions at Santa Fe and notify them of the action of the league.

The people in the townships included in the proposed county are divided somewhat on the proposition. Many of them are highly in favor of it and many places have been proposed for the county seat. Grady seems to lead the rest of the towns in opposition to the bill. Other persons, in the concerned districts, declare that they will always oppose being cut off from this county.

It is understood that the people of Roosevelt county are divided on the proposition very much as the people of this county are and that several of the towns of Roosevelt, which will fall inside the new boundaries are also looking forward to the time when they will be county seats.

Children's Day Meeting

Friday afternoon was children's day at the evangelistic meetings which are being conducted in the Crystal theatre. Dr. Blair delivered the address of the afternoon. He chose as his subject "The importance of Christian character" and his talk was so simple that even the youngest understood him. Music was rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery and the singing of the audience of children was one of the attractive features of the meeting.

It is estimated that three hundred and fifty little ones were present and the great majority of these said they were members of some Sunday school of the city.

The school children who attended the meeting marched to the theatre from the school house in body.

Mr. Coyle, who recently came here from Kentucky, is building a residence on Second street.

The attending physician reports that the grand children of W. E. Cecil, who have been confined to their beds with measles, are able to be out again.

Alvin Collier, a member of the Southwestern wrecking crew, who was sent to the hospital at Alamogordo some time ago for injuries sustained, is home again and will be able to report for duty in a week or so.

W. L. Mitchell has returned from Cincinnati, Iowa, where he has spent most of the winter. He says it has been bitter cold there the past month, stock in places freezing in the sheds. Mitchell says New Mexico for him, and he is enthusiastic about Tucumcari's future. He believes it is going to rival Amarillo as a business town in the next five years. Mitchell is shipping his broom corn to Liberal, Kansas, receiving for it \$100 the ton. He has a homestead 12 miles east of Tucumcari that averaged him \$20 an acre in broom corn last year on sod land and 80 days of drought. He is going to plant most of his farm in that product this year.